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Title:

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FIXING BONE SEGMENTS

TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS OF PATENT APPLICATION/ PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Seattle, Washington 98101

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

A. <u>Transmitted herewith are the following:</u>

X 1. An executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

X 2. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts.

X 3. The following additional documents: Designation of Patent Practitioners in Compliance With 37 C.F.R. 1.32.

X 4. Small entity status is asserted for this matter.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed	Number Extra		Rate		
Basic Fee	-					395
Total Claims	27 - 20 =	7	x	9	=	63
Independent Claims	9 - 3 \ =	6	x	44	_	264
Multiple Dependent Claim			+			
Surcharge			+	65		65
Extension of Time			+	765		765
TOTAL						\$1,552

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B. <u>Petition for Extension of Time</u>

Applicants respectfully request that the period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 28, 2004, set to expire on July 28, 2004, be extended by 4 months, to expire on November 28, 2004. The enclosed check includes the 4-month extension fee of \$765.00.

C. Fees Enclosed

Enclosed is our Check No. 159675 in the amount of \$1,552.00 to cover the requisite fees.

D. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

 Additional claim fees of \$321 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$771 for a Small Entity

- \$385 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$321
 - \$258 for 6 independent claims over 3.
 - \$63 for 7 total claims over 20.

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